



Spin Preschool Newsletter...A program proudly brought to you by Starpoint



2018

Messages:

There will be no preschool the week of December 24th through the 30th. Childcare only is open this week. Classes for preschool will resume on January 4th for the morning session only and on the 7th for all other sessions. Please remember to bring in coats, hats and mittens for your child. We do go outside every day except in extreme weather.

Our SPIN family would like to wish you and your family a Wonderful Holiday Season!!

Thank You, Misty Hinkle-Spin Elm Director, 719-275-0550

Infant Room

It's already December. The year has flown by so fast. We've watched as the older infants started crawling and now walking. The newer babies are all starting to roll over. Thank you for letting us be a part of your child's life.

Kris, Angie and Pam

Toddler Room

We are asking our families to bring in family photos to hang up in the classroom. The children enjoy seeing pictures of their family and telling us about them. We will be talking to your child this month about people in their family.

We would like to remind parents to make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather, as we do go outside every day.

We will have a holiday party at the end of the month. Be on the lookout for more information to follow. We want to wish our families a happy and safe holiday season. Thank you for letting us be a part of your child's life.

Michelle and Karen

Purple Room

Tis the Season!

The children have concluded the "Building Study" and have really learned a lot. Our next study will be the "Clothing Study". We have 3 special birthdays this month with some of our friends. Also, the children and I are very excited to be welcoming back Mrs. Hannah. She will be returning the day after Christmas. We would like to give Ms. Kaylee a big Thank You for helping in the purple room. She did a wonderful job with filling in.

Thank You,
Hannah, Bethany, Kaylee

Orange Room

This month we will be finishing up our study on "Trees". We will be moving on to the "Sign Study" next. Please watch for more information as we get closer to that start date. We will continue to work on problem solving skills and classroom expectations.

As the weather continues to get colder, please remember to bring hats, gloves, and winter coats, as we do go outside every day.

We would like to wish you all a joyous Holiday Season.

Thank You,
Patti and Nikki

Yellow Room

Hello parents,
Welcome to December! As a reminder, it's getting cold outside and we will be going outside every day. Please remember to bring warm clothes and have an extra set of clothes as we can get wet or messy. We are asking for family pictures so we can add them to our family tree in the classroom. We have started the ball study this month. If you can, we could use balls of any kind to help in our study. The class will be doing cookie decorating before Christmas break. Please watch for further details that will be posted soon.

Thank You,
Amy, Cheylynn, and Felicia

Green Room

Hard to believe the year is almost over and the holidays are here. This month we will be learning about the different holidays that are celebrated and talk about the traditions we have. If there are any that you would like to share with us please let us know. We will also be having a holiday party this month, more on that later.

We will be starting letters H, I, and J and reviewing numbers 1-10.

Happy Holiday's from the green room, have a great season.

Thank You,
Savanna, Nina, and Felicia

Letter Writing Tray

Ages: 3 and up

Here's a great way to help your tot get a feel for writing — no paper or pencil required! First, sprinkle a thick layer of **cornmeal** over the bottom of a **rimmed baking sheet**, then show her how to write letters with one or two fingers. When she's ready to start over, gently shake the sheet to erase the letters. Store the cornmeal in a **ziplock bag** when not in use.

Sound Search

Ages: 2-1/2 and up

Clue your child into phonetics with this educational twist on hide-and-seek. To play, gather up a handful of **objects that start with the same letter**, such as a banana, boat, boot, and ball. Talk with your little one about the sound that the objects start with (in this case, "buh"), and then have her close her eyes while you "hide" them around the room. Now make the sound of the letter ("buh buh buh") and challenge your child to find everything in the room that starts with that sound.

Letter Portraits

Ages: 4 and up

Draw a large letter on a piece of **paper**, then give your child **colored pencils or crayons** and have her turn the letter into a portrait of something else. A lower-case "m" might become a camel, for example, or an upper-case "B" could change into a butterfly. For extra credit, tell older kids they can draw only objects that start with the letter on the paper.

Alphabet Scramble

Ages: 4 and up

Print each of the 26 letters of the alphabet on a separate sticky note and help your child stick the notes on a wall in order. Have her close her eyes, and then switch the letters around. When she opens her eyes again, see if she can put the letters back in the right order. (If she needs a hint, try singing a round of the ABC song.) When she's ready for a new challenge, encourage her to place each sticky note on an object whose name starts with the letter, such as "c" on a cabinet or "d" on a doorknob.

SPIN Early Care and Education Center Dec. 2018 Menu

3) B - ww cinnamon toast, apple slices, milk L - chicken & brown rice, mixed veggies, oranges, milk S - cottage cheese, ww saltines, water	4) B -cream of wheat, pears, milk L - beef stroganoff, green beans, orange slices, milk S -WG graham crackers, milk	5) B -WG waffles, applesauce, milk L - mac & cheese w/ ham, peas, mixed fruit, milk S -cauliflower with ranch, cheese stick, water	6) B - WG cereal, apple slices, milk L - Sheppard's pie, mixed veggies, pears, ww saltines, milk S - cucumber sandwiches, water	7) B - ww French toast, peaches, milk L - Chicken bacon ranch WG penne, corn, banana, milk S -ww saltines w/ cheese slices, water
10) B -oatmeal, peaches, milk L - tator tot casserole, ww saltines, green beans, mixed fruit, milk S - hard boiled eggs, carrot sticks, milk	11) B - ww pancakes, applesauce, milk L - chicken nachos, chili beans, lettuce, tomato, cheese sauce, corn, pears, milk S -cheese sandwiches, water	12) B -ww cinnamon tortilla, banana, milk L - Ham & cheese sandwich, cucumber slices, carrot sticks, milk S - goldfish, milk	13) B - scrambled eggs, ww toast, pears, milk L - tuna pasta salad, peas, mixed fruit, milk S -trail mix, milk	14) B - WG cereal, apples, milk L -beef and broccoli w/brown rice, mixed fruit, milk S - yogurt, peaches, water
17) B - bagels w/cream cheese, peaches, milk L - Chicken noodle casserole, mixed veggies, mandarin oranges, milk S - hard boiled eggs, mixed fruit, water	18) B - cream of wheat, pears, milk L - chili w/beef, ww saltines, cooked carrots, apples, milk S - cottage cheese, pineapple, water	19) B -cereal, bananas, milk L -Indian corn w/ beef, corn chips, pears, milk S -apples, cheese slices, milk	20) B - ww english muffin w/sausage, banana, milk L - turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, ww bread slice, milk S -ww tortillas, cheese slice, water	21) B - WG waffles, applesauce, milk L -johnson's temptation w/hashbrowns, ww bread, mixed fruit, milk S -celery w/ cream cheese, oranges, water
24) Closed	25) Closed	26) B -WG biscuits & gravy, banana, milk L - WG grilled cheese, carrot sticks, peaches, milk S - ww graham crackers, milk	27) B -yogurt parfaits, granola, peaches L -WG chicken nuggets, tator tots, pears, milk S - graham cracker w/ almond butter, milk	28) B - bagels w/ cream cheese, banana, milk L - cheesy chicken & broccoli casserole, slice ww bread, mixed fruit, milk S -goldfish, milk
31) B - WW English muffin w/ jelly, apricots, milk L -Hamburger on bun, French fries, peaches, milk S -celery w/ almond butter, milk				

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